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MEMPHIS BANK TUMBLES DOWN

Shrinking Walls of Building
Collapse and Injures Twenty
People.

SEVEN DEAD HAVE BEEN
TAKEN FROM THE RUINS.

A tailor in Upper Store,
Killed, But Was Badly Injured—
Building Was Occupied by Conti-
nental Savings Bank—Excavation
for New Building Beside It Caused
the Collapse—Fire and Police De-
partments Working Diligently to
Remove Living and Recover Corpses
of the Dead—Formerly a Hotel.

Memphis, Tenn., Oct. 31.—With an
earthquake and without warning, the
building, occupied by the Conti-
nental Savings Bank and a number
of other offices, collapsed at 3:45 this
afternoon.

At least 20 are believed to be bur-
ied in the ruins. Only one man in
the building escaped—John Fischer,
teller on the top floor, who was
injured.

The police and fire departments
are working on the ruins to save life,
if possible.

At least six persons have been
killed, some are injured, but none
has been recovered. Among the injured
are F. D. Adams, president of the bank, who
was killed, and Cashier Henochs-
son, who has a broken leg and his nose
bleeding. Eight corpses have been
recovered.

An excavation for the Tennessee
Trust Company's skyscraper, ad-
joining the collapsed building, was
formerly occupied by the
Continental.

Several bodies in debris.
Only one have been recovered, none
else.

The third floor was used for sleep-
ing quarters and it is believed was
overcrowded when the crash came.
A large portion of a saloon in the
basement is believed to be buried.
It is still thought several
bodies are in the debris. The bank
building was a safe place in the vaults,
which stand intact, although cover-
ed with debris.

SMUGGLED CIGARS.

Customs Men Said to do Thir-
ty Business on the Side.

St. Louis, Oct. 31.—United States
marshal Gritman went to
Memphis this morning to arrest a
man named Ketterer, who is
charged with smuggling a consi-
derable quantity of cigars into
Bremen on a steamship, and
selling them and selling them
in the navy yard. Customs officials
reported the marshal's office on con-
fidence and Ketterer, who is
charged with smuggling in cigars
and selling them, and retailing
them has been a thriving busi-
ness and the customs officials are
looking for the offender.

ANTHROPAL RALLY.

Grand and Enthusiastic Meeting
for the Great House Saturday Night.

Senator George C. Brownell,
and R. Dimmick, presidential
candidate, both of Oregon City, address-
ed the anthropal rally in Pendleton
Saturday night. The meeting was at-
tended by a fair sized audience and
held at the court house. John Mc-
Donald presided at the meeting and in-
vited the speakers.

The speakers discussed the tariff
and briefly outlined the work-
ing of the tariff. The wealth of this
country is made up of successive stages and a
series of republican and demo-
cratic administrations composed the
economic policy of the nation.

Speakers arrived in Pendleton
Friday evening and were met at the
court house by County Chairman
C. H. Major Lee Moorhouse,
Senator Thompson and other promi-
nent men. Senator Brownell
and Dimmick returned to Port-
land Sunday morning.

Senator Thayer Evening.
The county and ladies Aid Society
of the church of the Redeemer will
hold a social reception Thursday
evening at the parish house in honor
of Mrs. Thayer and her wife, the
ladies of the church. The ladies of
the church are invited to the social
and the ladies of the church are
invited to be present.

A social will meet at hotel in Port-
land Sunday morning.

WASHINGTON IS DOUBTFUL.

Mayor Hunt of Walla Walla, Says
Political Outlook Is Uncertain.

Mayor Gilbert Hunt, of Walla
Walla, accompanied by Mrs. Hunt
and Miss Maybelle Hunt, were in
Pendleton this morning on his way
home from two weeks in Chicago.
Miss Hunt, who was in England dur-
ing the summer, joined her parents in
Chicago.

Mayor Hunt is one of the prominent
republicans of Washington. Asked
regarding the probable outcome of
the present state campaign in Wash-
ington he said: "The result is prob-
lematical. I would not be surprised
to see Mead, the republican candidate
for governor, win by a large majori-
ty. On the other hand, George Turner
may secure the victory by a narrow
margin."

Throughout the middle West the na-
tional campaign is quiet. Business
appears good, especially in Chicago.
We attended the horse show while
there, and it truly is a wonderful
sight. Blooded animals from all parts
of the United States were on exhibi-
tion, and they came from the stables
of some of the wealthiest men in
America."

Mr. Hunt is at the head of the Gil-
bert Hunt Company, one of the largest
machinery and foundry establish-
ments in the inland Empire. "We
have all the work we can do," he
said, "turning out harvesting machin-
ery and building materials. I am
furnishing the iron working for the
new Smith-Crawford building at
Main and Water streets."

QUARREL ENDS IN TWO DEATHS

HILGARD LOGGERS KILLS

FRIEND AND SUICIDES.

James Chesser, Foreman of Logging
Camp on Grand Ronde, Quarreled
With Al Webster Over Small Sum
of Wages—Shot and Killed Webster
and Then Killed Himself—Both
Men Signers and Aged About 25
Years—Inquest Was Unnecessary.

La Grande, Oct. 31.—James Ches-
ser, foreman at Logging Camp No.
4, of the Grand Ronde Lumber Co.,
13 miles above Hilgard, on the Grand
Ronde river, shot and killed Al Web-
ster, a logger, Saturday night, in a
quarrel over a small sum of wages,
and then shot himself, dying almost
instantly.

Chesser was drinking at the time,
and was a high-tempered man, and
when drinking was said to have been
quarrelsome.

Webster and Chesser were alone in
Chesser's tent when the quarrel came
up, when the shots were heard other
loggers rushed to the tent to find
Webster dead and Chesser dying.
Two men in an adjoining tent heard
them disputing over wages.

Both men were comparative stran-
gers, each about 25 years of age, and
both single. Chesser came to Hilgard
from Michigan two years ago. Cor-
ner Henry took charge of the bodies,
but found an inquest to be unneces-
sary.

TO THE WORLD'S FAIR.

Seventeen People Take Passage From
Pendleton Since Saturday.

Since Friday the following people
have started from Pendleton to the
World's Fair: T. J. Tweedle and wife
and daughter and Miss Belts, Fred
Rohde and wife and daughter, J. M.
Humbill and J. P. Lambirth.

The following eight people will
leave on this evening's train for the
same destination: F. R. Hampton,
James Furnish and wife, A. Laing,
Mrs. R. Laing, Miss Mary Laing and
J. M. Harzette and wife.

OREGON'S MINERAL EXHIBIT.

Work of Collecting Specimens Now
Being Carried on at Sumpter.

Though active work in gathering
the mineral exhibit from this district
for the Lewis & Clark exposition has
only begun, Henry Niedermarck, who
is deputized for the labor in this
section, reports good progress, says
the Blue Mountain American.

Hearty co-operation is being given
by the mine owners and the prospec-
tors and many samples are being se-
cured. It is the desire of the man-
agement of the "expo" to have the
exhibit the most representative of
any yet displayed from the state, and
\$14,000 has been allotted for the
construction of a building especially
for mineral exhibits from every
section of the state.

It is understood that the exhibit
now at the St. Louis fair will be re-
moved to Portland in its entirety,
forming the nucleus for a display of
the mineral resources of Oregon that
will prove of great benefit.
While no positive arrangement re-
garding allotment of space has been
decided upon, it is understood that
each county will be allowed to make
its display separately, segregating the
different districts or classes of ores
as its representative may deem best.

JAPANESE BOMBARDING FORTS IN THE VICINITY OF MUKDEN

They Reopen the Battle of Shakh River and Attempt a Flank
Movement on the Russians.

Stoessel, the Defender of Port Arthur, Reports the Japanese Lines Are

Gradually Narrowing About Him—Assault on Port Arthur and Bom-

bardment of the Place Have Become a Continuous Performance—

Oyama Steadily Reinforces the Japanese Army Advancing on Muk-

den.

Mukden, Oct. 31.—The Japanese
this morning began the bombard-
ment of Poudloff or Lone Tree Hill.

Japanese on the Offensive.

Mukden, Oct. 31.—Indications
point to an early resumption of the
battle of Shakh river. Last night
the Japanese began the bombard-
ment of the Russian right, which
continued some hours. This morning
the Japanese crossed the Shakh to
southeast of Mukden. The object
may be to outflank the Russian
forces.

Japanese Reinforcements.

St. Petersburg, Oct. 31.—Kuropat-
kin today reports the Japanese have
received reinforcements from south
of Geng Wang Chang. Indications
are that the Japanese are preparing
to take the offensive. The enemy is
moving from west to east. The weather
is moderate day time, but six be-
low freezing point at night. The
sanitary conditions of the troops is
good.

General Assault Is Made.

Chese Foo, Oct. 31.—A steamer ar-
riving from New Chwang reports hav-
ing heard firing off Port Arthur last
night and today, and it is believed a
general assault was begun October 24
and still continues.

Japanese Repulsed.

St. Petersburg, Oct. 31.—Stoessel
reports the Russians repulsed an at-
tack on their north front October 16,
and says: "Our artillery advanced
to Pamyacarr and drove back the
Japanese infantry. The bombard-
ment continued throughout the night."
"The enemy is approaching our
forts and entrenchments and has
drawn very close to the Oussian de-
fenses. Our troops are fighting hero-

ROAD COMPLETED.

Travel Will Now Go Around Weston
Mountain Instead of Over.

Harvey Martin, a road overseer,
from the vicinity of Weston, is in
town on business.

Mr. Martin has just completed the
grade road around Weston mountain
which has been in controversy for
the past 25 years and was author-
ized by the county court last spring.
It is between one and one and a half
and two miles in length, and cost just
\$349.10. It does not materially
shorten the distance, but affords a
level road into and out from West-
on, whereas from the earliest settle-
ment of the neighborhood travel has
gone over the mountain, which has
been a very wearisome and expensive
route for the farmers.

The damage claims allowed were
as follows: John Templeton, \$135;
Sam Caplinger, \$75; Mr. Blumgarn,
\$25, the road passing through the
lands of these parties.

FAIR CLOSING TONIGHT.

Unusual Attractions Will Prove
Someone's Delight.

The Catholic fair will end tonight.
An admission fee of 10 cents at the
door will be charged and every
corner will have one chance to secure
a fine willow rocker which will be
drawn during the evening.

The large and beautiful doll will
become the property of Alma Scheer,
Blanche Moens or of Rita Vey, and
its ownership will also be determined
tonight.
Among the beautiful and useful ar-
ticles not yet disposed of which are
on exhibition at the fair are a floor

rug eight feet square, a writing desk,
a heating stove, a baby's crib, two
couch covers, a large brass library
lamp and some nice cushions, and
many other less conspicuous articles.

Arbitration Agreement Signed.

St. Petersburg, Oct. 31.—Russia
and Belgium have signed a treaty
which makes it obligatory to submit
all matters in dispute to arbitration.

Shelled British Cruiser.

Berlin, Oct. 31.—The Frankfurter
Zeitung has a dispatch from Tangiers
which states that the officers of the
Baltic fleet there, admit that while
coming to Tangier they shelled a British
collier which was carrying no
lights. The result of the shelling is
not known.

To Protect Mail Boats.

Gibraltar, Oct. 31.—The British
fleet has been ordered to patrol the
straits and intercept all British col-
liers and bring them here, and it also
is ordered to escort mail boats.

Mine Exploded.

Nagasaki, Oct. 31.—A mine explod-
ed at Moji harbor yesterday while be-
ing carried ashore from the steamer
Dainichiyo Maru. The steamer
was badly damaged and 10 of the
crew were killed or injured.

Japanese Preparing to Strike.

St. Petersburg, Oct. 31.—Sunday
passed quietly at the front. The Ja-
panese forts apparently have some new
move on foot, but its exact object is
not known, but a flanking movement
is expected daily.

Japanese Minister Ill.

New York, Oct. 31.—The condition
of Kogoro Takaha, Japanese minis-
ter, who was operated upon yester-
day for appendicitis, is still serious
and will not be out of danger for three
days.

Twenty-six witnesses have been ex-
amined.

The coroner's jury, that for more
than a week has been examining wit-
nesses in an attempt to unravel the
mystery connected with the death of
Seymour Swauger, who was found
ground to pieces beside the Oregon
Railroad & Navigation track, near
Bingham Springs, a week ago, will
finish this evening. Twenty-six wit-
nesses have been examined so far.

It is thought by some that after
Swauger was struck by a train his
body was again placed on the track.
Six engineers and as many firemen
have given their testimony and with
the exception of the engine crew that
discovered the body none of them
saw the dead man.

No Wool Buyers in Oregon.

Charles H. Green has returned
from a three months absence in the
East and California. Mr. Green re-
ports business conditions as generally
good all through the East. The in-
flux of buyers of next year's crop has
not reached Oregon and Mr. Green is
not prepared to say when it will.

221 Seeds in Pumpkin.

W. J. Stockman won the prize of
a large easy chair awarded by M. A.
Rader for the person guessing the
number of seeds contained in a large
pumpkin. Stockman's guess was 223
seeds. There were 221.

LECTURE ASSOCIATION FOR PENDLETON

The Pendleton Epworth League has
under contemplation the organization
of a lecture bureau and is in corre-
spondence with prominent speakers of
the Northwest.

It is the plan of the league to ar-
range for a course of five lectures to
be given once a month during the
winter. It is estimated that \$125 will
be required to defray expenses of
bringing the speakers to Pendleton,
and season tickets will be sold at the
rate of \$1 for the entire course.
If the plan succeeds this year, it is
the intention of the league to enlarge

the course next season. The lecturers
who will be secured if possible are:
Rev. I. D. Driver, of Eugene; John
H. Coleman, of Willamette Univer-
sity, Salem; H. J. Hockenberry, La
Grande city schools; United States
Senator Wesley L. Jones, of North
Yakima, Wash.; President Stephen B.
L. Penrose, of Whitman College, B.
plans are now in the formative state,
but will be completed as rapidly as
possible. R. E. Tarbet, chief of the
literary department of the Epworth
League of this city, will have immedi-
ate charge of the work.

DOWER IS TAXABLE.

Widow's Portion of Husband's Estate
Is Subject to Inheritance Tax.

Referring to the inquiry of State
Treasurer Moore as to whether a
widow's dower in the estate of her
deceased husband is subject to the in-
heritance tax prescribed by House
Bill No. 41, regular session, 1903, page
46, Attorney-General Crawford says:

"All property within the jurisdic-
tion of this state, and any interest
therein, whether belonging to the in-
habitants of this state or not, and
whether tangible or intangible, which
shall pass by will or by statutes of in-
heritance of this or any other state,
or by deed, grant, bargain, sale or
gift, made in contemplation of the
death of the grantor or bargainer, or
intended to take effect in possession
or enjoyment after the death of the
grantor, bargainer or donor, or any
person or persons, or to any body or
bodies, political or corporate, in trust
or otherwise, or by reason whereof
any person, or body politic or corpo-
rate, shall become beneficially entit-
led, in possession or expectation, to any
property or income thereof, shall be
subject to a tax at the rate hereinaf-
ter specified," etc.

After discussing the question along
the lines recently laid down by sev-
eral courts of last resort, he con-
cludes:

"For the foregoing reasons, I am
of the opinion that a widow's dower
is subject to the inheritance tax pro-
vided by the statutes of this state."

TIMBER COMPANY MAKES RICH HAUL

FIFTY TIMBER CLAIMS

TRANSFERRED IN ONE DAY.

Over 8000 Acres of Land in Southern

Umatilla County Deeded to North-

west Timber Company at \$710 Per

Secured From the Federal Govern-

ment—Claims Cost Entrymen \$400,

Leaving Net Profit of About \$300

Per Claim.

Eight thousand and eighty acres of
timber land, situated in township 6,
range 30 south, this county, is held
by the Northwest Timber Company.
In looking over the rolls, Assessor C.
P. Strain, of Umatilla county, discov-
ered that this land was all transferred
to the timber company by the entry-
men on the same day they secured
their deeds from the federal govern-
ment.

There are more than 50 claims em-
braced in the tract and were pur-
chased by the Northwest Timber Co.
at the rate of \$710 each. The deeds
were secured and the transfers made
to the company on August 31, 1904.
The claims cost the entrymen \$400
each, showing the profits of each
transfer to have been about \$300, net.

WARE-RHORN.

Pendleton Man Married October 16 at
Frankfort, O.

W. P. Rhorn has sprung a sur-
prise upon his friends and the gen-
eral public by the news that he was
married October 16 at Frankfort, O.,
to Miss Corda Ware of that place,
Rev. P. W. Drumm, of the M. E.
church, officiating.

Mr. Rhorn meets the general skep-
ticism regarding the subject with a
clipping from the Frankfort Star con-
taining the particulars given above,
and also the statement that Mrs. Rhorn
will arrive in Pendleton in a very
short time and that they will be
at home at 505 Garfield street.

Bailey-Christenson.

P. M. Christenson and Mrs. Mattie
Bailey were married at 3 o'clock
Sunday at the home residence of Mr.
and Mrs. C. P. Barnett on South Lil-
lith street, Rev. Robert Warner of-
ficiating. Mr. Christenson is a con-
tractor and builder of Morrow coun-
ty, and Mrs. Christenson was form-
erly of Norfolk, Va. The two had not
met since childhood and they have
the best wishes of this community, as
well as their host of friends in Mor-
row county. Heppner Times please
copy.

To Clear Title.

To clear title to land near Weston,
Trajan Tucker has brought action in
the state circuit court against the
heirs of the late S. H. Bernard. On
January 17, 1884, according to the
plaintiff, Porter Graham and R. J.
Graham mortgaged property to Ber-
nard. Since then the land has been
transferred to Tucker, but, although
the mortgage has long been satisfied,
it has never been released.

Anti-Prohibition Campaign.

J. P. Winter, of the law firm of
Winter & Collier, of this city, will
address a meeting of the Citizens'
league at Freewater this evening on
behalf of the anti-prohibition people.
Mr. Winter has been engaged to
stamp the county during the week
and will appear at Athena tomorrow
night.

UMATILLA WILL BE ABANDONED

Reclamation Department Fails
to Find Suitable Reservoir
Sites.

JOHN T. WHISTLER MAKES

AUTHORITATIVE STATEMENT.

Two Years Constant and Systematic

Search Fails to Locate a Reservoir

That Will Hold Water—Entire Dis-

trict Is Underlaid With Sand—John

Day Project Is Not Feasible—Office

at Pendleton Will Not Be Abandon-

ed Yet for Some Time—Mr. Whis-

ler to Remain Here During the

Winter.

After nearly two years of constant
and systematic investigation on the
Echo government irrigation reserva-
tion, it is now almost certain that
the project will be abandoned, because
of the absence of suitable reservoir sites
in the entire district.

When asked about the status of the
work of the reclamation bureau in
Umatilla county, John T. Whistler
said to the East Oregonian today:

"Since the recommended abandon-
ment of the once proposed reservoir
site in the Butter creek country, the
government has had a small recon-
noissance party out all summer work-
ing in this county, or more properly
speaking, in the basin of the Umatilla
river, and the exploration of the ba-
sin has been, from the standpoint of
the reclamation bureau, absolutely
thorough."

"This reconnaissance party has ex-
amined in detail every little branch
of the Umatilla river and of Butter
creek as well, and in addition has
thoroughly investigated the possibility
of diverting the waters of the John
Day to Umatilla lands."

"No site for a reservoir has been
found anywhere in the Umatilla ba-
sin. A depression has been noted in
the region north of the old aban-
doned site, which will be examined
further, but it is feared that even
if it proves to be of sufficient size,
that test pits will show it underlaid
with a stratum that will disqualify
the location, just as the other site was
disqualified."

John Day Not Feasible.

"The examination of the John Day
region has been equally thorough,
and its has failed to disclose any no-
ticeable means or way of diverting
water to any extent in its upper por-
tions. As the investigation proceeds
down the John Day there are fewer
and fewer indications of the practica-
bility of either diversion or storage.
This concluding work, in the lower
portion of the John Day basin, will be
finish this month."

One Last Test to Be Made.

"Upon the completion of the John
Day survey the party at work there
will be brought back into this county
for further investigation of the char-
acter of the foundation and material
underlying the depression referred to
earlier as a possible site for a reser-
voir near the old abandoned site."

"I wish to be quoted," said Mr.
Whistler with emphasis, "as calling
the especial attention of the people
to the failure of these various surveys
and investigations to find any reser-
voir sites in the Umatilla basin, and I
urge the people, as I have always
urged them, not to be misled by mis-
representations, and by too much opti-
mism."

"A great many people located and
invested under the reservoir site
abandoned and lost out, against my
advice and admonition. If the people
will listen to me now, they will not
repeat the error, and neither will any
'fresh fish' be caught in the same
manner."

"Does this virtual windup of the
work in this district mean the aban-
donment of Pendleton as the Oregon
headquarters of the reclamation bu-
reau work?"

"The main portion of the office
force here has been already instruct-
ed to go to Salt Lake City soon, but
I have requested to be allowed to
remain here during the winter to
make or finish the computations and
estimates upon which we shall begin
soon, and the office here will not be
abandoned."

Will Hold 60,000 Eggs.

There were 200 incubators with
an average capacity of 300 eggs in
the consignment which reached here
a few days ago. These incubators
cost \$25 each on an average, and
they were ordered through a travel-
ing agent, and do not represent any
transactions made by the local hard-
ware men, who handle this line of
goods.

Extra Police Tonight.

Marshal Carney has appointed
three or four extra policemen to do
duty tonight for the keeping of Hal-
loween jokers within bounds.